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STATE OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 5, 2018

The Honorable Michele Reagan  
Secretary of State  
1700 W. Washington, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Secretary Reagan:

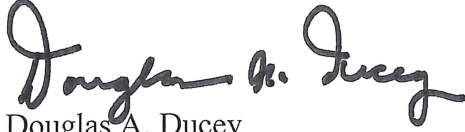
I am transmitting to you the following bills from the Fifty-third Legislature, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session, which I signed on April 5, 2018:

HB 2027 alternative fuel special plates; veterans (Frieze)  
HB 2031 spousal maintenance; significant contribution; reduction (Lawrence)  
HB 2107 pharmacies; practices; pharmacy benefits managers (Syms)  
HB 2153 campaign finance; nonprofits; disclosure (Leach)  
HB 2248 incompetency; screening; sexually violent persons (Farnsworth, E.)  
HB 2259 juvenile court facilities; shelters; use (Carter)  
HB 2311 limited liability; employers; ex-offenders (Farnsworth, E.)  
HB 2456 stadium district; extension; Rio Nuevo (Finchem)  
HB 2503 building code exemptions; public notice (Barton)  
HB 2545 EORP; cost-of-living adjustment (Livingston)  
HB 2548 health professionals; continuing education; opioids (Carter)  
HB 2647 internal revenue code conformity (Mesnard)  
SB 1043 county recorder; recording fees (Kavanagh)  
SB 1071 adoption; subsidy; review; nonrecurring expenses (Brophy McGee)  
SB 1165 child care assistance; rates (Brophy McGee)  
SB 1179 memorial; buffalo soldiers (Miranda)  
SB 1203 vehicle towing (Worsley)  
SB 1235 Native American day; state holiday (Peshlakai)  
SB 1380 children; out-of-home placement (Petersen)  
SB 1381 service contracts (Petersen)  
SB 1396 group home beds; mentally ill (Barto)

SB 1397 behavioral health; dependent children; reports (Barto)

SB 1473 kinship care; aggravated circumstances; dependency (Barto)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Douglas A. Ducey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Douglas" being the most prominent.

Douglas A. Ducey

Governor

State of Arizona

cc: Senate Secretary  
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives  
Arizona News Service

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**MICHELE REAGAN**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
Fifty-third Legislature  
Second Regular Session  
2018

**CHAPTER 132**  
**HOUSE BILL 2031**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 25-319, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SPOUSAL  
MAINTENANCE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 25-319, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 25-319. Maintenance; computation factors

5 A. In a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or legal separation,  
6 or a proceeding for maintenance following dissolution of the marriage by a  
7 court that lacked personal jurisdiction over the absent spouse, the court  
8 may grant a maintenance order for either spouse for any of the following  
9 reasons if it finds that the spouse seeking maintenance:

10 1. Lacks sufficient property, including property apportioned to the  
11 spouse, to provide for that spouse's reasonable needs.

12 2. Is unable to be self-sufficient through appropriate employment  
13 or is the custodian of a child whose age or condition is such that the  
14 custodian should not be required to seek employment outside the home or  
15 lacks earning ability in the labor market adequate to be self-sufficient.

16 ~~3. Contributed to the educational opportunities of the other~~  
17 ~~spouse.~~

18 3. HAS MADE A SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL OR OTHER CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
19 EDUCATION, TRAINING, VOCATIONAL SKILLS, CAREER OR EARNING ABILITY OF THE  
20 OTHER SPOUSE.

21 4. Had a marriage of long duration and is of an age that may  
22 preclude the possibility of gaining employment adequate to be  
23 self-sufficient.

24 5. HAS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED THAT SPOUSE'S INCOME OR CAREER  
25 OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OTHER SPOUSE.

26 B. The maintenance order shall be in an amount and for a period of  
27 time as the court deems just, without regard to marital misconduct, and  
28 after considering all relevant factors, including:

29 1. The standard of living established during the marriage.

30 2. The duration of the marriage.

31 3. The age, employment history, earning ability and physical and  
32 emotional condition of the spouse seeking maintenance.

33 4. The ability of the spouse from whom maintenance is sought to  
34 meet that spouse's needs while meeting those of the spouse seeking  
35 maintenance.

36 5. The comparative financial resources of the spouses, including  
37 their comparative earning abilities in the labor market.

38 6. The contribution of the spouse seeking maintenance to the  
39 earning ability of the other spouse.

40 7. The extent to which the spouse seeking maintenance has reduced  
41 that spouse's income or career opportunities for the benefit of the other  
42 spouse.

43 8. The ability of both parties after the dissolution to contribute  
44 to the future educational costs of their mutual children.

1           9. The financial resources of the party seeking maintenance,  
2 including marital property apportioned to that spouse, and that spouse's  
3 ability to meet that spouse's own needs independently.

4           10. The time necessary to acquire sufficient education or training  
5 to enable the party seeking maintenance to find appropriate employment and  
6 whether such education or training is readily available.

7           11. Excessive or abnormal expenditures, destruction, concealment or  
8 fraudulent disposition of community, joint tenancy and other property held  
9 in common.

10           12. The cost for the spouse who is seeking maintenance to obtain  
11 health insurance and the reduction in the cost of health insurance for the  
12 spouse from whom maintenance is sought if the spouse from whom maintenance  
13 is sought is able to convert family health insurance to employee health  
14 insurance after the marriage is dissolved.

15           13. All actual damages and judgments from conduct that ~~results~~  
16 RESULTED in criminal conviction of either spouse in which the other spouse  
17 or A child was the victim.

18           C. If both parties agree, the maintenance order and a decree of  
19 dissolution of marriage or of legal separation may state that its  
20 maintenance terms shall not be modified.

21           D. Except as provided in subsection C of this section or section  
22 25-317, subsection G, the court shall maintain continuing jurisdiction  
23 over the issue of maintenance for the period of time maintenance is  
24 awarded.

**APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 5, 2018**

**FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 5, 2018**



Passed the House February 8, 20 18

Passed the Senate April 3, 20 18

by the following vote: 57 Ayes,

by the following vote: 30 Ayes,

0 Nays, 2 Not Voting

0 Nays, 0 Not Voting

[Signature]  
Speaker of the House

☐ Pro Tempore

[Signature]  
Chief Clerk of the House

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

3rd day of April, 20 18

at 2:18 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 5th day of

April 2018

at 2:48 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this 5 day of April, 20 18

at 4:41 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Secretary of State

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